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For : DNA ENCODING A HUMAN MELANIN  
CONCENTRATING HORMONE RECEPTOR (MCH1)  
AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 20, 2001 NOTICE TO FILE  
MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE  
GRANTED, PETITION TO AMEND INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R.  
§1.48(b), AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the September 20, 2001 Notice To File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this September 20, 2001 Notice was due November 20, 2001. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the September 20, 2001 Notice. The fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$55.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. With a one-month extension of time, a response is now due December 20, 2001. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification: